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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The objective of the present invention is to provide a microcomputer and a method, wherein a program is written from a host to a microcomputer at a high speed by utilizing a USB cable for connecting the host to a peripheral device.

A flash ROM 50 for program storage has a first program area to which program data transmitted from a personal computer 100 are to be written and a second program area storing a write control program, and program data stored temporarily in a RAM 40 are written to the first program area of the flash ROM 50 through a USB interface circuit 30 in accordance with the write control program.